

PRESBYTERIAN

#### **ELECTION OF ELDERS**

The elders sense it is time to elect new elders and plan to start the process after Easter. Since this is a significant event in the life of our fellowship we would ask you to be prayerfully considering this and read the accompanying leaflet with this Newsheet.

As the leaflet states,

"Choosing new elders to join the leadership team of your congregation is a very important decision. As part of this process, the elders of your congregation are asking all voting members to propose a name or names of potential new elders.

The role of an elder is clearly outlined in Scripture. The following Bible passages refer specifically to the qualities and gifts of an elder: 1 Timothy 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-9 and 1 Peter 5:1-4.

Your minister will also preach on the role of the eldership and outline the process to be undertaken over the next number of weeks. Here are some things to pray and think about as you consider who might have the potential to carry out this important role within your congregation.

# Christian commitment Gifting Godly character

If you want to read more on how the Presbyterian Church in Ireland defines the role of elders, look up these references in 'The Code': Code 16, 30, 34-44, 180. The Code is available to download from www.presbyterianireland.org/thecode

## **DROMORE PRESBYTERY NEWS**

### MISSION IN IRELAND 2023 - 'SCATTERED AND SENT'

Sunday 19 March 2023 at 6.30pm in Maze Presbyterian Church. Speaker: Rev. Stephen Richmond – Donegal & Stranolar Presbyterian Churches

#### **BALMORAL SHOW**

Once again Dromore Presbytery has decided to take a stand at this year's Balmoral Show, which runs from **Wednesday 10 – Saturday 13 May**, at Balmoral Park, Maze.

# Practical Help.

**To assist on the stand** – people who would feel comfortable "meeting and greeting" the public and also able, if opportunities arise, to share their faith in Jesus, pray with people if appropriate, and pass on suitable literature. This again will be done in 3 hour slots, with 2 exceptions (see below). The daily slots are:

9.30am – 12 noon; 12 – 3pm; 3pm – 6pm. (Thursday will have an extra slot 6pm – 8pm, while on Friday the final slot will be 3pm-7pm).

To assist with the children's programme – particularly people who can do face painting. There will be several slots during the week. (SEE LEAFLET ON TABLE FOR DETAILS)

#### PRAYER @ DPC

We would encourage everyone to fully participate in the prayer life of our congregation

- Weekly times of prayer: Wednesday in Hall café & via Zoom (ID:82692131213 Pass Code: 123456). Sunday morning at 10.15 am in Meeting Room 2.
- Prayer Text ministry: Anyone wishing to have a prayer request on the Prayer Text chain should contact Adrian: 07546770060.
- Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry available at the close of the service please see rota below

#### PRAYER MINISTRY ROTA - MARCH

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> March – Rosemary Adams - 07960950903 Sun 12<sup>th</sup> March -Sandra McCormick - 07561829565 Sun 19<sup>th</sup> March – Adrian - 07546770060 Sun 26<sup>th</sup> March – Helena Trimble - 07851296928

# DESIGN FOR DISCIPLESHIP SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY

Wednesday morning Group each week at 10.15 am in Hall Café.

Sunday Night Group fortnightly (5<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March) at 6.30pm in Hall Café.

Mens Group fortnightly (9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> March) at Bill McCord's home, Annahilt.

Glenside Group at John & Sandra McCormick's home each Tuesday night.

If you wish to be get involved please speak to Adrian (07546770060)

#### FLOWER ROTA - MARCH

5 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs H Thompson
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs M McCormick
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs A Spence
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs R Maxwell

#### **WELCOME ROTA - MARCH**

LEFT DOOR	RIGHT DOOR
Bobby Thompson	John Campbell
Norman Weekes	Gary Tougher

#### **MARCH NEWSLETTER 2023**



# Everyone very welcome. EVANGELISM TRAINING DAY WITH RICO TICE

. **BOWLING FELLOWSHIP** Meets on Mondays at 8pm.

A day with Rico Tice, enthusing, envisioning and equipping Christians in how to share their faith one to one and in groups.

Tue. 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (10:00 – 16:30) At Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Event is free but registration required at www.cornhillbelfast.org/ricotice

#### **KIRK SESSION**

Kirk Session meets Tuesday 21 March at 7.45pm in the Choir Room

#### **CHURCH COMMITTEE**

Meets Monday 13 March at 8pm in Meeting Room 2

# **GRAND SLAM DECIDER**

Sat 18 March 2023 Ireland V England
Why not join us to watch the Game with a bowl of Irish
Stew in the Café at 4. 30p.Numbers are limited please let
Adrian know if you plan to attend by Sunday 12 March –
Tel: 07756770060.

#### **BADMINTON FOR ALL AGES**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March from 7-9pm in Church Hall.

#### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 2 p.m. You would be made very welcome to any of our meetings. Good Speakers. Good fellowship and a Cup of Tea.

#### PW 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Friday 24 March 2023 at Rockmount Golf Club – 7.15pm for 7.30pm £25 per person (to include entertainment by Brian Rankin – The Poet Farmer)

Just a reminder any outstanding dinner payments please see Janet Dorman.

#### **PW SPONSORED WALK**

Tuesday 18 April at 7pm in Hillsborough Forest Park. Everyone welcome. More details to follow

# **PW ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Thursday 4 May in Assembly Buildings, Belfast. Guest Speaker: Ali Calvin.

Afternoon: 2-3p.m. Evening Celebration: 7.30-9p.m. Praise led by Emma Smith. We are hoping to organise a group trip to this event. More details to follow **PW ANNUAL OUTING** 

To North Coast on Saturday 3 June 2023. Please see Audrey Robinson to book your seat

#### **FLOURISH**

A very sincere thank you to all who provided items requested for Flourish.

#### **ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES FAIR**

Hillsborough Presbyterian Church are holding an Antiques & Collectables Fair in the Orr Hall on Saturday 11 March from 10am – 4 pm.

Admission: £2.50

#### **COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OUTING**

Drumbo and District Community Association
Spring bus run to the Mournes area on Wed 22nd March.
Leaving Drumbo at 10am and returning approximately
5pm.

Cost £20 to include coffee/scones and a late lunch. Please see Hazel Thompson for more details.

#### **Sunday Mornings**

Creche (babies & toddlers), SALT (pre-school – P6) & FUEL (P7-Yr10) leave midway through the service and go across to the Hall for their respective ministries.

SALT and creche in the Hall and FUEL upstairs
We would ask parents to take their children to the Hall and pick
them up after the service.



Tuesdays at 6.30pm (P1+)
BB PARENTS EVENING: 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH @ 6.30P.M.



Thursdays (10.30-12 Noon)



Thursdays at 6.30-7.30pm (Pre-school – P4) 7.30-9pm (P5+)

GB PARENTS EVENING: 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH @ 7P.M.

#### YOUTH @ DPC

Youth @ DPC meets on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30p.m. in the Hall. For all young people ages Year 8 and up.

#### **MISSION NEWS**

Missionary Focus Service Sunday 19 March at 11a.m. in the Hall. Pancakes served from 10a.m. in café.

Speakers: Steven & Helen Martin.

The Missionary Committee has agreed to send £540 to Shelter Now working in Northern Syria – this will provide a family tent, five blankets, five winter sleeping bags, food and hygiene kits for four families.

#### Tearfund Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal

Our since thanks to all who contributed towards the £2,195 total raised.

# **DRUMBO AREA ACTION COMMITTEE**

Warm Lunches – Drumbo Orange Hall – Saturday 4 March – Stew/Saturday 11 March – Soup/Saturday 18 March – Stew. Come along and enjoy a Free Lunch – Tea/Coffee and a warm welcome.

# OFFICE TELEPHONE

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